

PLANS AND EXERCISES



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This Session

- Planning Concepts
- Exercises and types

If Disaster Strikes...

What do we do?

Who will help?

Where do we get the resources we need?



Planning Concepts



- Vulnerable pops
- Community demographics
- Community resources

Plans should be community based representing the whole population and its needs.

Planning Concepts

Planning must include participation from all stakeholders in the community.



- Emergency Management
- Local Public Health (State)
- Hospitals / Clinics
- Long Term Care
- Emergency Services
 - EMS
 - Fire
 - Law Enforcement
 - Dispatch
- Utilities / Private Sector
- Civic / Church Groups

Planning Concepts

Plans should consider all hazards and threats.



- Floods
- Snow storms
- Wild fires
- HAZMAT releases
- Pandemic
- Heat loss
- Cooling loss
- Loss of potable water

Planning Concepts

Plans should be flexible enough to adapt to all incidents.



- POD plans
- Ebola
- Evacuations

Planning Concepts

Planning does not need to start from scratch.

Should take advantage of:

- Other experienced planners
- Plans from other jurisdictions
- Coalitions
- State guidance
- FEMA – CDC

Planning Concepts

The only way to know if a plan will work is to implement it, evaluate it and revise as appropriate.

Two Ways:

- Response Rehearsals
- Plan review after an actual event



Types of Exercises



1. Discussion Based
2. Operations Based

Exercises – Discussion Based



1. Seminars
2. Workshop
3. Tabletop (TTX)
4. Games

Exercises – Discussion Based

Seminar: Informal Discussion designed to orient participants to plans, policies, procedures, etc.

Exercises – Discussion Based

Workshop:

Intended to build a specific product.

Exercises – Discussion Based

Tabletop:

- Involves key personnel
- Scenario based
- Can involve multiple scenarios.
- Most common discussion based exercise

Exercises – Discussion Based

Games:

- Question and answer
- Can be scenario based
- Usually involves two or more competing teams.

Exercises – Operations Based



1. Drills
2. Functional (FE)
3. Full Scale (FSE)

Exercises – Operations Based

Drills:

A coordinated supervised activity designed to test a single specific operation or function.

Exercises – Operations Based

ND DoH Drills:

- Quarterly RSS
- Quarterly ICS
- Han Assets for LPH, LTC, Hospitals
- “Have bed” drills for Hospitals
- Facility based contact drills
- Local public health call down
- ND DoH Status checks
- New equipment



Exercises – Operations Based

Functional:

Validates coordination, command and control at the multi-agency level.

No “boots on the ground”

Uses a SIM CELL

Exercises – Operations Based

Full Scale:

Validates coordination, command and control at the multi-agency level.



Includes “boots on the Ground” response.

Labor intense and costly.

QUESTIONS?

